Rockford Historic Preservation Commission

September 11, 2012 – 6:00PM – City Hall Conference Room B

Present: Janna Bailey, Vicki Krueger, Becky Lichty, Mark McInnis, Scott Sanders, David Hagney

Absent: Alderman Doug Mark

Staff: Thaddeus Mack, Planner & Building Plans Examiner

Other: Interested Parties

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by David Hagney

Approval of Minutes

A **Motion** was made by **Mark McInnis** to **APPROVE** the minutes of the August 14, 2012 meeting as presented. The **Motion** was **SECONDED** by **Becky Lichty** and **CARRIED** by a vote of **6-0**.

Unfinished Business

None to report

New Business

Certificate of Appropriateness for 1656 Ethel Avenue – Window Replacement

Marta Snyder was present on behalf of the owner. Marta indicated the packet of information distributed at the meeting with Schedule A, B, C & D was to show the existing home (A & B) and the surrounding context homes (C & D). Mr. Sanders asked for clarification of how many windows are present on the building to be replaced. Ms. Snyder clarified the number of windows varies based on the option approved for replacement, so between 4 and 7. Mr. Sanders stated the commission typically does not like vinyl and asked if there are other options available. Ms. Snyder stated they are considering vinyl, or clad windows, depending on what the commission would approve. Mr. McInnis asked if the properties shown in schedule C and D were approved by the HPC for vinyl windows and if we have verified this. Mr. Mack stated that the addresses were not provided so it was not possible to verify prior to the meeting. Mr. Hagney stated that in the past, vinyl has not been accepted but wood clad has been in the past. Mr. McInnis asked what the cost difference was between the vinyl and clad windows. Ms. Snyder indicated that clad windows are 30% to 40% higher cost per window, but labor was the same. Mr. McInnis stated that in the past, clad has been accepted, but not vinyl. Mr. Hagney stated the Secretary of the Interior Standards permits wood clad windows, but not a straight vinyl window. Mr. Sanders stated that vinyl clad would be accepted, and is what has been done in the past, but not a vinyl window in the historic district. Discussion among the commission members settled on a wood clad window, being the second option. Mr. Hagney asked if anyone wanted to make a motion.

A **Motion** was made by **Scott Sanders** to **APPROVE** the Certificate of Appropriateness for 1656 Ethel Ave for wooden clad windows. The **Motion** was **SECONDED** by Vicki Krueger and **CARRIED** by a vote of **5-1** with Mark McInnis voting no.

Staff report

None to report

With no other business a **Motion** was made by **Scott Sanders** to adjourn. The **Motion** was **SECONDED** by **David Hagney** and **CARRIED** by a vote of **6-0**.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 P.M. Submitted by Thaddeus Mack